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Laurence Hirsch Silberman
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1935
 Education: Dartmouth 1957 AB; Harvard 1961 LLB
 Began Service: November 1, 1985
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Georgetown Law Center (1987-1994);
 Adjunct Professor, New York University School of Law (1995-1996);
 Adjunct Professor, Georgetown Law Center (1999-2001); Adjunct
 Professor, Harvard University Law School (1998); Adjunct Professor,
 Georgetown Law Center (2002-2005)

Corporate: Executive Vice President of Strategic Planning, Legal and
 Government Affairs, Crocker National Bank (1979-1983)

Government: Attorney, Appellate Division, Office of the General Counsel,
 National Labor Relations Board (1967-1969); United States Solicitor,
 United States Department of Labor (1969-1970); Under Secretary of
 Labor, United States Department of Labor (1970-1973); Deputy United
 States Attorney General, United States Department of Justice (1974-1975);
 United States Ambassador to Yugoslavia, Embassy of the United States
 (1975-1977); President's Special Envoy on ILO Affairs, Executive Office
 of the President (1976)

Legal Practice: Partner, Moore, Silberman & Schulze (and predecessor
 firms) (1961-1967); Steptoe & Johnson (1973-1974); Morrison & Foerster
 (1978-1979); Morrison & Foerster (1983-1985)

Military Service: United States Army Reserve (1957-1958)

Nonprofit: Senior Fellow, American Enterprise Institute (1977-1978)

Current Memberships: Hawaii Bar Association

Chambers of Senior Judge Stephen F. Williams

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Stephen F. Williams
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1936
 Education: Yale 1958 BA; Harvard 1961 JD
 Began Service: 1986
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
 Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Professor of Law, University of Colorado (1969-1986); Visiting
 Professor of Law, University of California, Los Angeles (1975-1976);
 Visiting Professor of Law, University of Chicago (1979-1980); Visiting
 Professor of Law, Southern Methodist University (1983-1984)

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, United States Department
 of Justice (1966-1969)

Legal Practice: Debevoise, Plimpton, Lyons & Gates (1962-1966)

Military Service: United States Army (1961-1962)

Chambers of Senior Judge Stephen F. Williams *continued*

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Law
 Institute; Federal Energy Bar Association

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 Education: Yale JD

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United States District Courts

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Number of Judgeships: 3

Areas Covered: Counties of Autauga, Barbour, Bullock, Butler,
 Chambers, Chilton, Coffee, Coosa, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Elmore,
 Geneva, Henry, Houston, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Montgomery, Pike,
 Randolph, Russell and Tallapoosa

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Mark E. Fuller
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: December 27, 1958
 Education: Alabama 1982 BS, 1985 JD
 Began Service: December 2, 2002
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Government: Chief Assistant District Attorney, 12th Judicial Circuit, State
 of Alabama (1996-1997); District Attorney, 12th Judicial Circuit, State of
 Alabama (1997-2002)

Legal Practice: Associate, Cassidy, Fuller & Marsh (1985-1986); Partner,
 Cassidy, Fuller & Marsh (1986-1996)

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Myron H. Thompson
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
 Education: Yale 1969 BA, 1972 JD
 Began Service: September 29, 1980
 Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Government: Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General,
 United States Department of Justice (1972-1974)

Legal Practice: Partner, Thompson & Faulk (1979-1980)

Current Memberships: Alabama Bar Association; Alabama Lawyers
 Association; American Bar Association; National Bar Association

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Truman M. Hobbs
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1921
 Education: North Carolina 1942 AB; Yale 1948 LLB
 Began Service: April 14, 1980
 Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter
 Political Affiliation: Democrat

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Hugo Black, Supreme Court of the
 United States (1948-1949)

Government: Chairman, Alabama Unemployment Appeal Board
 (1952-1958)

Legal Practice: Partner, Hobbs, Copeland, Franco & Screws (1949-1980)

Military Service: United States Navy (1942-1946)

Current Memberships: Alabama Bar Association; American Bar
 Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; American Trial Lawyers
 Association; International Academy of Trial Lawyers; Montgomery
 County Bar Association